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RESPONSE AND ELECTION

In response to the restriction requirement mailed June 24, 2005, Applicants respectfully elect the invention of Group I, claims 21 – 32 for substantive examination on the merits.

Applicants respectfully believe claims 21 – 32 to be in condition for allowance.

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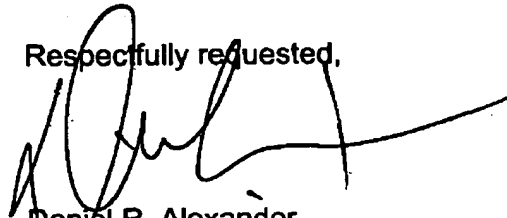
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To any extent required, an additional extension is hereby requested. In the event that there are additional fees associated with the submission of these papers (including extension of time fees), authorization is hereby provided to withdraw such fees from Deposit Account No. 04-0500.

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